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MAN WAS MADE TO HUSTLE

TERMS: \$1 Per Year, Spot Cash.

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## Coffee Again

People wouldn't buy poor coffee if they knew how it is made and who makes it. If they knew all about it they would use only good brands. Blanke's Coffee is unquestionably as good as any that grows. I sell it. Nobody else in Keytesville keeps it. I think so much of Blanke's Coffee that I give people their money back if they don't like it. Maybe the place where you buy doesn't do that; 4 1-2 pounds for \$1.

## A Woman

came into my grocery a couple of months ago. She wanted canned fruit. She bought some and said: "If this fruit isn't good I'll never come back again." The fruit I sold her must have been good for that woman has been coming back to my store nearly every day since.

## Seeing Means Buying.

These advertisements cost money. I advertise to bring new customers to my store. When people come to see me they are pretty sure to buy because I tell the truth and sell good pure clean food. Thus, seeing means buying.

## S. M. White,

Exclusive Grocer.

Phone No. 26.

KEYTESVILLE, MO.

### A Strange Freak.

Some time last spring D. C. Severs, the Wabash railroad station agent, bought a young Jersey cow of A. S. Taylor, a reliable farmer living 2 1-2 miles north of Keytesville. Under the contract Mr. Taylor was to keep the cow until she had a calf, which would come to pass in a short time. When that time arrived Mr. Severs went out to see about the cow and was told by Mr. Taylor that bad luck had befallen the cow, and that she had had her calf, but it had in some way gotten through the water gap and had died. Mr. Severs was very much disappointed. Mr. Taylor proposed to let him have another cow, but Mr. Severs preferred the cow he had bought provided she could be brought to her milk, which was hardly probable as more than a week had passed since calving. They tried, however. At first she gave about a pint of stringy milk. The milk soon got good and increased to three gallons a day, and continued until last Monday evening, when she had another calf, which is living and doing nicely.

The most remarkable part of the story is that it has only been four months since the cow gave birth to the calf that died.

### Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the public that my wife, Gertrude Herring, left my bed and board, without just cause or provocation, Tuesday, August 7, 1900. I will not be held responsible for any debts of her contracting. Parties who credit her must not do so on my account.

F. E. HERRING.

Namrash, Mo., August 8, 1900.

### Saw-Mill For Sale.

I have a good saw-mill outfit, with a 25-horse power engine and boiler, for sale on the Keytesville and Glasgow road eight miles south of Keytesville. Will sell cheap for cash or will trade for cattle, hogs or anything having a commercial value. Guarantee the mill to be a money-maker if properly run.

F. E. HERRING.

Namrash, Mo.

## COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

### Regular August, 1900, Term.

Court met Monday, August 6, all of the officers being present.

Upon the recommendation of the township board of Cockrell township, A. F. Arrington, county bridge commissioner, is ordered to let contract for a wooden bridge across a branch on the public road leading from Bynumville to Salisbury, near the residence of Henry Pleyer, and to make his report at the next term of this court.

Same, upon the recommendation of the township board of Salt Creek township, as to a wooden bridge across the fork running into Hickory branch on road leading north and south from Indian Grove to Rothville in 16-55-19.

Same, upon the recommendation of the township boards of Cockrell and Musselfork townships, as to a wooden bridge across the branch on the road leading north and south from Westville to Musselfork, near the residence of S. A. Keyes.

Same, Chariton township, for a bridge across the Little Chariton on the road running east and west from Lewis' mill to Keytesville, near Lewis' mill.

Same, Salisbury township, for a bridge across the Middle Fork of the Chariton on the old stage road leading from Salisbury to Glasgow, near the residence of G. L. Walburn.

Same, Musselfork township, for a bridge across Cottonwood creek on the road running north and south from Culbertson neighborhood to Trade, near the residence of R. P. Clarkson.

Same, Yellow Creek township, for a bridge across the south branch of Elk creek on the public road running north and south from Mendon to Brookfield, near the residence of Walter Bushnell.

Same, Yellow Creek township, for a wooden bridge across Slater branch on the public road running northeast from Rothville to Marceline, near the residence of John Platt.

Same, Bee Branch township, for a bridge on the public road running north and south between 28 and 29-56-17, near the residence of Joe Nannerman.

In the matter of the petition of H. C. Crawford for a public ditch in 34 and 35-56-21, all the costs herein accrued having been paid by Petitioner H. C. Crawford, all proceedings in this cause are hereby dismissed.

John Knappenberger, treasurer and ex-officio collector of this county, ordered to credit the back taxes assessed against the estate of A. Straub for the year 1898 with the sum of \$78 on account of the erroneous assessment of said estate for said year.

In the matter of the petition of A. F. Rector et al for a drainage ditch, about 3 1-2 miles long, commencing at a point in the sw qr 10-53-19 and 40 rods south and 74 rods east of the nw cor of the sw qr of said section, J. F. Taylor, Henry Goll and Barney Himmelberg are appointed as viewers and A. F. Arrington as civil engineer for said proposed ditch, and they are requested to meet in Dalton Saturday, September 1, 1900, and proceed to view the line of said ditch and to make their report to the next November term of this court.

The bond of said petitioner in the sum of \$200 is approved, with M. F. Courtney, M. A. Prather and W. D. Vaughan as securities. It is further ordered that the necessary legal notice in said cause be published in the Keytesville Signal.

C. A. Jennings, coroner, presents the return of his proceedings in the inquest held by him on the body of Edward Williams, found dead in Salisbury May 28, 1900; also costs and expenses of said inquest amounting to \$21.90, which are examined, approved and ordered filed. It is further ordered that the clerk of this court certify the above sum to the county treasurer to be disbursed by him to the parties thereto entitled.

Same as to Harry Robinson, col.

killed by a train at Brunswick June 17, 1900; inquest fees, \$41.41.

Same as to Willie Coy, drowned in the Chariton river, near Rockford, August 3, 1900; inquest fees, \$25.01.

Same as to Sterling P. Morgan, found dead near Forest Green, June 26, 1900; inquest fees, \$29.02.

Same as to an unknown colored man, killed by a train at Dean Lake May 7, 1900; inquest fees, \$44.48.

J. R. Dempsey, sheriff, presents report of his proceedings in the foreclosure of the school fund mortgage of Conrad G. Burgener, which is examined, approved and ordered filed.

Ordered that the se qr sw qr 29 and ne qr nw qr 32-55-18, lands acquired by Chariton county under a foreclosure of the school fund mortgage of Conrad O. Burgener, be and the same are hereby sold to J. L. Hershey for \$900. H. H. Miller appointed special commissioner to make deed.

State auditor authorized and requested to draw his warrant in favor of John Knappenberger, county treasurer, for the sum of \$9,095.90, the amount of state school moneys apportioned to Chariton county for the year 1900.

H. H. Miller, county clerk, presents statement of fees received by him as such clerk for the quarter ending June 30, 1900, which is examined, approved and ordered filed.

Same as to Z. T. Lamkin, circuit clerk.

Township collector of Clark township ordered to credit the taxes assessed against Henry Oldham for the year 1900 with the sum of \$9.23 on account of clerical error made by the township clerk.

T. J. Krager files information with the court that Nina Krager, a resident of this county, is insane; and the court, having heard the testimony, doth adjudge the said Nina Krager to be of unsound mind, and a fit subject to be sent to an insane asylum. It is, therefore, ordered that the said Nina Krager be discharged by the court, and go hence without day Miss Krager's insanity is of a mild, incurable form, and for that reason she was not sent to the asylum.

J. B. Dameron, guardian and curator of C. M. Woods, insane, files information with the court that said Woods no longer has sufficient estate to defray his expenses at the asylum at Fulton, it is, therefore, ordered by the court that said Woods be maintained at said asylum as a charge against Chariton county.

The board of directors of school district No. 2-51 and 52-18 request the court to loan \$500, surplus funds, for the benefit of said district.

Order of this court, made January 4, 1900, approving the school fund bond of L. D. Cobb for \$350, is hereby set aside and annulled.

School fund mortgage of Joseph C. Newsonie and wife for the sum of \$650 ordered released, it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that same has been fully paid.

Same as to A. J. Long for \$100.

Appointment of John E. M. Taylor as tax attorney by John Knappenberger, treasurer and ex-officio collector, confirmed.

John Knappenberger, county treasurer, presents a statement of the amount of county and township school moneys subject to distribution for the year 1900 as follows: County funds, \$15,480; township funds, \$2,669.26. Total, \$18,149.26, making, with the \$9,095.90 state school moneys apportioned to Chariton county for said year, an aggregate amount of \$27,245.16. It is ordered that same be distributed to the various school districts in the county according to the enumeration lists now on file in the office of the clerk of this court.

A. F. Arrington, county bridge commissioner, presents his report showing that the bridge across Groves' branch, between 29 and 30-55-16 has been completed according to plans and specifications, and recommending the payment of \$90.50, the contract price therefor, and \$20.65, for extra labor and material, to McDonald & Perkins, contractors for said bridge.

Same as to a bridge across the branch on the road between 29 and

32-56-17, near the residence of F. Hammond, A. L. Armstrong, contractor, for the sum of \$70.

Same as to bridge across branch on the road between 16 and 21-54-17, near the residence of Jacob Goldsmith, O. G. Dameron, contractor, for \$89.50.

Same as to bridge across Long branch on line between 19 and 30-56-18, Luther Hershey, contractor, for \$71.50.

Same as to bridge across branch on the road between 7 and 8-54-18, Luther Hershey, contractor, for the sum of \$60.

Bonds to school funds approved as follows:

John A. Myers, for \$234.45, with Wm. B. Robinson and J. A. Riley as securities.

T. J. L. Hutcheson for \$600, with Chas. E. Allen and J. D. Stanley as securities.

M. H. Holcomb for \$400, with John P. Tippet and L. M. Applegate as securities.

J. L. Hershey for \$1,800, with John D. Hershey and Andrew S. Hershey as securities.

James Pope for \$304.37, with Silas W. Riley, C. O. West and J. A. Riley as securities.

### ALLOWANCES.

Chas. Terrill, conveying Jas. Atterbury, an escaped inmate, back to the poor farm, \$1.

Dr. W. J. Billeter, witness fees in the case of Nina Krager, charged with insanity, \$1.

James Hise, same, \$1.

Rachel McKee, support of self and daughter, Mary Vandusen, for third quarter of 1900, \$20.

Mary E. Bentley, support of Kat: Finney, a pauper, for July, August and September, 1900, \$25.

M. F. Courtney, hay for poor farm, \$3.72.

Robert Cox, services as laborer at poor farm for May, June and July, 1900, \$45.

M. T. Davenport, salary as superintendent of poor farm for May, June and July, 1900, \$150.

M. T. Davenport, cash advanced for supplies and labor for poor farm, \$71.55.

McDonald & Perkins, building bridge across Groves' branch between 29 and 30-55-16, \$90.50; extra labor and material for same, \$20.65. Total, \$111.15.

J. A. Seneker, 250 feet of rope for pile driver, \$7.15.

A. Keeting, 53 pounds of bridge bolts, \$4.25.

A. L. Armstrong, building bridge across branch on road between 29 and 32-56-17, near the residence of F. Hammond, \$70.

Clark Ward, papering and graining circuit clerk's office, \$14.65; same recorder's office, \$29.75. Total, \$33.40.

O. G. Dameron, building approach to Dean Lake bridge, \$170.

O. G. Dameron, building bridge across branch on the road between 16 and 21-54-17, near the residence of Jacob Goldsmith, \$89.50.

Jos. Miles, supplies to poor farm, \$20.77.

Henry Werbach, plastering at poor farm, \$32.

Luther Hershey, building bridge across branch on the road between 7 and 8-54-18, \$60; building bridge across Long branch between 19 and 30-56-18, \$71.50. Total, \$131.50.

The above business had been transacted by the court up to Wednesday morning. The remainder of the proceedings will appear in next week's COURIER.

### Marriages.

CHRANE-ROBERTS.—H. J. Chrane and Mrs. Kittie Roberts of Mendon were married at Triplett Wednesday, August 8, Rev. J. W. Owens officiating.

SENN-RILEY.—Gustave A. Senn of St. Louis and Miss Mary Riley of Indian Grove were married at Sneed's hotel in Keytesville Wednesday evening, August 8, Judge B. F. Fleetwood tying the nuptial knot with the grace and dignity for which he is becoming noted.

### A Boy Drowned.

Willie C. Coy, aged 11 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coy of near Rockford, was drowned in the Chariton river, one mile west of Rockford, August 2. He and a neighbor boy, Jo Haywood, had gone to the Chariton to bathe. Willie undressed first and went into the water and suddenly stepped off beyond his depth and went under the third time before his companion could render him any assistance.

Jo went to Mr. Coy's and gave the alarm. The parents, with several of the neighbors, assembled at the river and began a search for the body which they succeeded in finding some 10 hours after the drowning.

Dr. C. A. Jennings, coroner, was notified and went the next day and held an inquest. Matthew Griswold, Gus Korff, David Johnson, J. H. Leonard, J. N. Fennell and John Hunt were summoned as a jury, who, after hearing the testimony, rendered a verdict as follows:

"We, the jury, find that Willie C. Coy came to his death by accidental drowning."

Willie's untimely end was a great shock to his parents, who have the sympathy of the entire neighborhood in their hour of grief.

### Two Horses Stolen.

O. G. Mathews of near Rothville came to Keytesville Monday and swore out a warrant before Justice Wm. P. Jared for the arrest of J. R. McClure, charging McClure with stealing a horse from the affiant the night of July 30. McClure hails from near St. Louis and had been working for a man named Long, who is a neighbor of Mathews. McClure disappeared about the time Mathews' horse was stolen and he feels confident that McClure is the thief. Deputy Sheriff L. A. Embree has gone in search of McClure, but had not returned up to the time the COURIER goes to press.

Dick Fennell, a respectable colored citizen living near Namrash, in Missouri township, is a victim of misplaced confidence and is now minus an 8-year-old bay saddle horse and a saddle and bridle. Fennell has been running a threshing machine and while threshing at F. W. Meyer's, near Dalton, the early part of last week he employed a strange man, who gave his name as George Brown, and said he lived near Malta Bend, Saline county, to make some repairs to the machine. Brown did a good job of it and was afterward employed by Fennell to take charge of the threshing crew. Brown claimed to be a detective and told Fennell that he (Brown) only wanted to make enough to cover expenses while looking for some crooks who had robbed a store at Kansas City. Brown proved to be a good worker with the machine gang and also "worked" Fennell. He collected some money from Wm. Remmert for threshing and on his return from Remmert's he met Fennell and borrowed his horse to ride to Cazzell for the purpose of getting some money he claimed to have left with R. P. Leach, a merchant at that place. This was the last that Fennell saw of Brown, but was informed by some movers that they met him up near Brunswick riding a horse that answered the description of the animal Fennell had "loaned" Brown. Nathaniel Glasgow says he knows Brown and that he went by the name of Harry Brown at Malta Bend. Fennell bought a blind pony, saddle and bridle from Brown, which the purchaser subsequently sold to a negro woman for \$6 and got to retain the saddle and bridle. Fennell now believes that the pony was stolen by Brown. Fennell has not obtained any clue to his missing equine nor does he know anything about the present haunts of the man who "borrowed" his steed.

Scriber items received too late for this week.

### The Criminal Calendar.

The case of the state against Ed. Munson was dismissed when it came up for trial in Justice Wm. P. Jared's court last Friday. The defendant lives near McGinnis' bridge and was charged with stealing an old violin from Thos. Wooldridge. Prosecuting Attorney Collet did not think the evidence against Munson was strong enough to convict, hence refused to prosecute him.

Will Graham, the Wabash brakeman who was charged with robbing Fred Witherspoon, an 18-year-old youth of Moberly, of \$48 at a point between Keytesville and Dalton while the two parties were in the caboose of a freight train en route from Kansas City to Moberly the night of the 26th of last month, was held in the sum of \$1,000 at his preliminary trial in Justice Wm. P. Jared's court at Keytesville last Friday. The prisoner could not furnish the required bail, and was returned to jail until the grand jury can investigate his case.

Dan Fuller of Marceline had a preliminary trial in Justice Wm. P. Jared's court at Keytesville last Friday for attempting to bribe Fred Witherspoon, the prosecuting witness in the case of the state against Will Graham for robbing Witherspoon of \$48 in a caboose of a Wabash freight train, not to appear against Graham. From the testimony adduced the court believed Fuller to be guilty as charged in the information and bound him over in the sum of \$1,000 to appear before the next grand jury. Fuller could not give the required bond and was sent to jail.

Martin Rafferty of near McGinnis' bridge was arraigned in Justice Wm. P. Jared's court last Friday to render an accounting for his fracture of the peace and dignity of the state by selling a pistol to Ed. Munson, a minor. Rafferty entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$50, but was given a stay of execution as to the fine provided he would pay the costs. It is said that this clemency was extended to Rafferty because the warrant issued for his arrest was due largely to spite work on the part of the prosecuting witness rather than a desire to promote good citizenship.

Thos. White pleaded guilty before Justice Nathan Clair of Salt Creek township last Thursday to the charge of shooting a hog belonging to Al. Hess. An investigation of the facts in the case by Assistant Prosecuting Attorney J. F. Pratt showed that Hess' hogs had been annoying White a great deal. White admitted that he shot into a bunch of the Hess swine, but vows that he did not intend to kill any of them. He did, however, kill a pig, and upon pleading guilty Justice Clair assessed White's fine at \$50, but he was given a stay of execution as to the fine if he would pay Hess \$3 for the pig and liquidate the costs of the suit. This White agreed to do and was discharged.

### Births.

COURTNEY.—Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Courtney of one mile southwest of town are entertaining and are being entertained by a fine boy, who arrived at their home Friday, Aug. 3.

GARNETT.—Mr. and Mrs. John Garnett of four miles northwest of Keytesville are in high glee over the advent of their first born, a bouncing baby boy, who put in his appearance Friday, August 3, and at once proceeded to discuss the political issues of the day from a Democratic standpoint.

WARD.—A sweet little girl was ushered into the world and took up her residence at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ward of this city Tuesday, August 7. Mother and babe are doing nicely, but John's friends are solicitous for him, as they fear he is in danger of smiling himself to death.